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1. The cloister in Tata has been taken over as an officers' quarters and casino.
2. There is a new armored barracks north of the railroad station on the Tata-Dunaalmás road. It is occupied by the Rákosi Mátyás armored officers' school, with an armored training battalion. The total number of trainees is 1,600 men, from the classes 1929 to 1933. Many have already spent a year with armored troops and have been sent here as volunteers; that is, they have been selected for officer candidate training and in a practical sense, given no chance of refusing. There are a number of Stalin T-34/85 tanks and armored cars in the courtyard.
3. There is another new armored barracks at the east side of the village of Tatatóváros, on the road to Agostyán, about 320 m from the railroad. It is occupied by 750 to 800 of the students of the armored officers' school. In the courtyard there are 18 to 22 T-34/85 tanks, 5 or 6 armored cars, 6 or 8 motorcycles, and 6 or 8 motorcycles with side cars.
4. The infantry barracks is in the center of town, near the road to the Esterházy Castle. It is occupied by an armored training battalion of 650 men. The trainees are not officer candidates, but work with the trainees at the officers' school. The battalion is composed of a light armored company with eight armored cars; an armored company with six Stalin III tanks and six T-34/85 tanks; and an SP gun unit with four SU-100 and four SU-152 guns.

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5. On the north side of Tata is an exercise area used by the officers' school. In it is a one-story building, 10 by 30 m, with sand tables, where tactical discussions are held. In recent months there have been numerous exercises with small units of armor, in which the emphasis was laid on defense against small groups of tanks. Field exercises are held in the morning, theoretical instruction in the afternoon.

6. Southeast of the village of Baj, on the Tata-Agostyan road, there is the munitions depot of the school in the slope of a hill. A new road, on which civilian traffic is forbidden, leads to it.

25X1 7. Numerous Hungarian passenger cars are observed in the area [redacted]
25X1 [redacted]. The school is often visited by Soviet officers,
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